

Anthus rubescens (American Pipit)

Priority 2 Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN)

Class: Aves (Birds)

Order: Passeriformes (Perching Birds)

Family: Montacillidae (Pipits And Wagtails)

General comments:

Small population of about 12 pairs at one site. High vulnerability to climate change (with high confidence); based on 7 reviewers

Species Conservation Range Maps for American Pipit :

Town Map: [Anthus rubescens_Towns.pdf](#)

Subwatershed Map: [Anthus rubescens_HUC12.pdf](#)

SGCN Priority Ranking - Designation Criteria:

Risk of Extirpation:

Maine Status: Endangered

State Special Concern or NMFS Species of Concern: NA

Recent Significant Declines: NA

Regional Endemic: NA

High Regional Conservation Priority: NA

High Climate Change Vulnerability:

Vulnerability: 3, Confidence: High, Reviewers: 7

Understudied rare taxa: NA

Historical: NA

Culturally Significant: NA

Habitats Assigned to American Pipit :

Formation Name Alpine

Macrogroup Name Alpine

Habitat System Name: Acadian-Appalachian Alpine Tundra ****Primary Habitat****

Habitat System Name: Alpine Macrogroup - Unknown Habitat System

Stressors Assigned to American Pipit :

| Stressor Priority Level based on Severity and Actionability | Moderate Severity | | High Severity | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|---------------|--|
| | Highly Actionable | | Medium-High | |
| | Moderately Actionable | | Medium | |
| | Actionable with Difficulty | | Low | |

IUCN Level 1 Threat Other Options

IUCN Level 2 Threat: Lack of knowledge

Severity: Moderate Severity

Actionability: Moderately actionable

IUCN Level 1 Threat Pollution

IUCN Level 2 Threat: Air-Bourne Pollutants

Severity: Moderate Severity

Actionability: Moderately actionable

Notes: Hg, Acid rain

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IUCN Level 1 Threat

Climate Change and Severe Weather

IUCN Level 2 Threat:

Habitat Shifting or Alteration

Severity: Severe

Actionability: Actionable with difficulty

Notes: In Maine, this species nests only on Mt. Katahdin so it is unable to adapt to climate change

Species Level Conservation Actions Assigned to American Pipit :

None. *Only species specific conservation actions that address high (red) or medium-high (orange) priority stressors are summarized here.*

Guild Level Conservation Actions:

This Species is currently not attributed to a guild.

Broad Taxonomic Group Conservation Actions:

Relevant conservation actions for this species are assigned within broader taxonomic groups in Maine's 2015 Wildlife Action Plan: Element 4, Table 4-1.

Habitat Based Conservation Actions:

Additional conservation actions that may benefit habitat(s) associated with this species can be found in Maine's 2015 Wildlife Action Plan: Element 4, Table 4-15. Click on the Habitat Grouping of interest to launch a habitat based report summarizing relevant conservation actions and associated SGCN.

The Wildlife Action Plan was developed through a lengthy participatory process with state agencies, targeted conservation partners, and the general public. The Plan is non-regulatory. The species, stressors, and voluntary conservation actions identified in the Plan complement, but do not replace, existing work programs and priorities by state agencies and partners.